News release

Hats and scarves at the ready!

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A true taste of winter weather is on the cards for parts of the UK through the coming days with sharp frosts, ice and the possibility of snow.

Rain and snow across southern parts over the weekend will clear, allowing cold, polar air to spread across the whole country for the coming week. Met Office forecasters are keenly watching developments well to the north, as the weather patterns organise themselves and offer the chance of snow - even across London and the south-east.

Northern and eastern Scotland, east and south-east England are predicted to see snowfall, and for most areas there will be a cold wind with penetrating overnight frosts.

The Met Office is watching the situation carefully and working with other agencies and authorities across the country to help reduce the effects of the weather. The public are advised to take extra care during this period of cold weather.

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